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AMAZON CLOUD OUTAGE AFFECTS INTERNET SERVICES FOR HOURS

Many popular internet services and some banks went offline for hours on Monday due to an outage in Amazon's crucial cloud network

ISSUE RESOLVED AFTER OVER FOUR HOURS

Amazon's Prime Video, Disney+, Perplexity AI, Airbnb, Snapchat, & Duolingo were hit. Messaging apps such as Signal and WhatsApp were also affected in Europe, a website monitoring internet problems said. Amazon Web Services (AWS)'s maintenance site fixed the underlying DNS issue over four hours after they became aware of "increased error rates" hitting multiple services

AWS, THE CLOUD LEADER

- AWS handles nearly a third of the planet's cloud infrastructure market, powering millions of apps and websites around the world
- It is followed closely by Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud
- AWS said Monday's problem appeared to originate in one of its critical infrastructure zones located in the US state of Virginia

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DEVICES WERE AFFECTED IN A 2024 OUTAGE DUE TO FAULTY UPDATE BY CROWDSTRIKE

Coordination of forces brought Pak to its knees during Op Sindoor: PM

Modi says since 2014, new indigenous ship or submarine added to Navy every 40 days

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@New Delhi

IN keeping with his longstanding tradition of celebrating Diwali with the armed forces, Prime Minister Narendra Modi once again marked the festival with service personnel on Sunday and Monday. This year, he celebrated Diwali with Navy officers and sailors aboard the INS Vikrant, off Goa coast. During his visit, the Prime Minister interacted with the Navy's bravehearts, sat with them and shared meals, cementing not just an official connection but an emotional bond with the naval personnel, symbolising his role as a guardian of the nation.

Addressing the sailors and officers, he said on Monday that the exceptional coordination among the three armed forces -- fear instilled by the Navy, extraordinary skills of the Air Force and bravery of the Army -- forced Pakistan to its knees during Operation Sindoor in no time.

On Atma Nirbharta, he said, "We are proud that our armed forces have made rapid strides toward self-reliance in the past



PM Narendra Modi with Navy personnel aboard INS Vikrant during his Diwali visit, off the coast of Goa and Karwar, on Monday | PTI

INDIA ON VERGE OF ERADICATING MAOISTS: MODI

Panaji: India is on the verge of eradicating Naxal-Maoist terror and more than 100 districts freed from this scourge will celebrate Diwali with dignity this year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Monday. He lauded the bravery of the security forces, saying they have reduced Maoist influence to just 11 districts, from 125 districts a decade ago | P9

decade. Our armed forces made a list of thousands of items and decided that these will no longer be imported. As a result, most of the essential equipment for the forces is now being produced within the country."

Further highlighting the achievements in the defence manufacturing sector, he said, "Defence production in over 11 years has more than tripled. Just last year, it crossed a record of Rs 1.5 lakh crore.

Since 2014, on average, one new indigenous warship or submarine is being added to the Navy every 40 days."

He said, "Our missiles like BrahMos and Akash proved their capabilities in Operation Sindoor as well. BrahMos -- just the name alone creates fear. Now, several countries around the world want to buy these missiles. Bharat is now building the capacity to export weapons and defence equipment for all three services."

'MENTAL HARASSMENT'

Ola engineer kills self, FIR against Bhavish, others

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A 38-year-old homologation engineer at Ola Electric Company, Koramangala, died by suicide by consuming poison, leaving a 28-page handwritten death note, accusing Ola founder Bhavish Aggarwal and other senior staff of mental harassment and financial exploitation. Ola, in a statement, said the engineer had never raised any complaint or grievance regarding his employment or harassment, and challenged the FIR against its CEO and others before the Karnataka High Court.

The deceased, K Aravind, was a resident of Manjunathanagar in Chikkalasandra. He reportedly died by suicide on September 28, and the jurisdictional Subramanyapura police registered a case of abetment to suicide (BNS 108) against Bhavish Aggarwal, Subrath Kumar Dash, Head of Vehicle Homologations and Regulations, and others on October 6, based on the complaint by 41-year-old Ashwin Kannan, Aravind's brother.

Ashwin, a businessman, told TNIE that they got suspicious after Rs 17.46 lakh was transferred to his brother's account after the latter's death and three people claiming to be from Ola came to their house and gave some vague explanations. "When we checked, we found the 28-page detailed handwritten death note by my brother in his room. The matter was immediately brought to the notice of the police, after which a case of abetment to suicide was filed," he added.

Since the complainant did not initially know the exact reason for his brother's death, he filed a complaint suspecting foul play. The Subramanyapura police had registered a case of Unnatural

Death Report under Section 194(3)(iv) of the Bharatiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS).

Aravind studied engineering at a city-based college and was a mechanical engineer. He was unmarried and was staying with his parents. "My brother was working as a Homologation Engineer at Ola Electric Company, Koramangala, since 2022," Ashwin said. P3



Bhavish Aggarwal

Cracks in Bihar grand alliance as Cong, RJD candidate list clashes

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

THE rift within the opposition Mahagathbandhan widened on Monday after the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) released a list of 144 candidates, hours after the Congress finalised five more names, taking its tally of candidates to 61 for the upcoming Bihar assembly elections.

The RJD's final list sets the stage for a direct contest between the two major partners of the 'grand alliance' -- part of the INDIA bloc -- in five seats. They will also have to contend with the CPI, another key ally, in three-four seats if an agreement is not reached. This has led to confusion among workers of the various parties.

Alliance leaders said that there is still scope for an agreement as the last date of withdrawal of names for the second phase is Wednesday. In the meantime, RJD put to rest rumours that it would contest Kumbha, held by Congress state

JMM PULLS OUT

Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren-led Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) has decided not to contest the Bihar election. The party had earlier announced plans to contest six seats. Alleging a political conspiracy, the JMM blamed its allies, the RJD and the Congress, for its withdrawal.

president Rajesh Ram. On Monday, Ram filed his papers from the constituency.

Both the RJD and the Congress have fielded candidates in Narkatiaganj, Lalgaon, Vaishali, Sultanganj and Kagalgaon. Similarly, the Congress and the CPI have fielded candidates in Bachhwara, Kargahar, Bihar-sharif and Rajapakar.

However, in a relief to the Mukesh Sahani-led Vikassheel Insaan Party (VIP) candidate for Gaura Bauram, Santosh Kushawaha, RJD chief Lalu Prasad issued a letter clarifying that the seat has been allotted to VIP.

RUSSIAN OIL

Trump says India to pay 'massive tariffs'

AGENCIES @Washington

US President Donald Trump said India is going to pay "massive tariffs" if it continues to buy oil from Russia, while reiterating that he got assurance from Prime Minister Narendra Modi that New Delhi is going to halt its oil purchases from Moscow.

Speaking to reporters onboard Air Force One, Trump said India will "continue to pay massive tariffs" if they do not cease buying oil from Russia, adding that "they (India) don't want to do that". Trump was replying to a question about India's recent remarks on oil purchases from Russia.

India last week said it is "broad-basing and diversifying" its sourcing of energy to meet market conditions, hours after Trump claimed that Modi assured him that New Delhi will stop procuring Russian crude oil.

Trump said he does not believe India made such remarks. "But I don't believe they said that. No, I spoke with Prime Minister Modi of India, and he said he's not going to be doing the Russian oil thing," the US President added.

Washington has been maintaining that India is helping Putin to finance the Ukraine war through its purchase of Russian crude oil.



Stampede-like situation at CM's event, 13 fall ill

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@Mangaluru

IN all, 13 women and children fell ill during the Ashoka Jana Mana event at Kombettu Ground at Puttur on Monday.

CM Siddaramaiah attended the event, organised by Puttur MLA Ashok Rai, to distribute plates and clothes to the public for Deepavali. The programme started late and concluded by 4pm. As the crowd exceeded the stadium capacity, several people especially women and children felt suffocated and fell ill soon after the CM left the venue around 4 pm. Lunch too was served around that time. "The situation was caused when people rushed to the spot where lunch was being served and gifts given out," a police source said. P7

'Angrezon ke zamane ke jailor' Asrani passes away at 84

SHREYAS PANDE @Mumbai

VETERAN actor Govardhan Asrani, known for his impeccable comic timing and striking onscreen presence, passed away at the age of 84 on Monday after a prolonged illness in Mumbai. Asrani was admitted to Bharatiya Arogya Nidhi Hospital in Mumbai four days ago after he experienced difficulty in breathing. Doctors said water had accumulated in his lungs.

In a career that spanned over five decades, Asrani acted in over 300 films. The actor's first artistic stint was at All India Radio, where he worked as a voice artist. The acting bug struck Asrani in 1960, and he moved to Mumbai. He later joined the Film and Television Institute of India in 1964.

After passing out of the institute, Asrani acted in *Hare Kaanch Ki Choodiyan* (1967), and for two years after that, the actor worked prominently in Gujarati films. It was Hrishikesh Mukherjee who offered him a supporting role in *Satyakam* (1969), which ushered his return to Hindi cinema. In 1972, his collaboration with Mukherjee for *Bawarchi* marked an important shift in his career and cemented his position as an actor with natural comic rhythm. His antics found a louder release later in the iconic *Sholay* (1975), where he played the role of an eccentric jailor.

He appeared in close to 100 films from 1970 to 1979, and his collaborations with Rajesh Khanna was celebrated for its quality and longevity. P7



Veteran of 300 films

Asrani had acted in over 300 films in a career spanning over five decades. He has largely played character roles, and has garnered wide acclaim for his impeccable comic timing

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Sri. B. Shivaswamy, K.A.S. Managing Director, K.M.F
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